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PERES TOURS EASTERN BORDER

No water dispute with Jordan

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THE SELENTA BRIDGE — Defence Minister Shimon Peres said yesterday that there was no problem with Jordan on the question of water rights. Referring to the fact that Jordan planned to re-claim the Jordan River, Peres said the direction of the water was the direction of the river, not the direction of the dam.

Defence Minister was speaking to the press at the Damsy span of the Jordan River at the beginning of a tour which also took in the Allenby Bridge. Peres, U.S. which was accompanied by Minister with Jerusalem Post Editor Yehoshua Gali and a family man, said that Israel is aware of the Jordanian water situation and that there are no signs of any water dispute between the two countries.

Defence Minister made the remarks in reference to a "New Water" report which said that Jordan King Hussein aims to renew the Jordan River with Israel by re-claiming the Jordan River into the Yarmouk irrigation canal running to the northern sector of the Jordan River. Jordan's last thereof of the project, ended during the Six Day War of 1967, when Israel destroyed the dam, along with the L.A. to impound the Yarmouk's water.

commenting on another issue, government policy, said that unnecessary and both humane and medical clinics between Israel and the Lebanese Arab Army.

of Col. Ahmed Khattab, he said that the situation in southern Lebanon was quite pragmatic, stressing that this body, though pre-

terring port. Its holds were found to be empty.

The ship's captain said that on an earlier voyage this summer he had taken 145 refugees from Tyre to Egypt, along with a quantity of straw for mattress-making. He did not know whether the refugees were Christians or Moslems, he added.

At Port Said he had managed to disembark all but one of the passengers — a poor man without papers or money whom the Egyptians would not allow to come ashore.

He therefore took the luckless refugee back to Tyre.

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3 El Al passengers killed in terrorist raid at Istanbul
2 'George Habash' men seized

ISTANBUL. — Three El Al passengers were killed last night in a hail of machinegun fire and bomb blasts at the airport terminal building here, airport officials said. The shooting broke out when El Al passengers were going through a final security checkpoint to board flight 582 to Tel Aviv. Officials said the attackers tossed two bombs into

(At Ben-Gurion Airport last night, Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi said Israel took part in felling the terrorist bid. (The Minister also praised the Turkish officers for the way they acted against the terrorists.) The local Anatolia news agency said that, according to testimony obtained by police, the two captured terrorists admitted belonging to the "Dr. George Habash Organization," which is part of Yasser Arafat's PLO. Police identified them as Mahdi Mohammed, 22, and Hussein Muhammad al-Rashid, 27, the re-

ports said. The terrorists had come from Libya via Rome aboard a Pakistani plane bound for Baghdad. They were reportedly carrying Kuwaiti passports and carried in their suitcases explosive charges, revolvers and a sub-machinegun. They threw a grenade at the entrance to the apron while passengers for the Israel plane were about to leave for their plane parked some 100 metres from the main building, police said. The reports said that during the explosion, a Japanese and two Israelis were killed and another

24 wounded. Neither the news agency nor the airport police could provide identities of the dead or wounded. After their bid to blow up more explosive charges failed, police said, the terrorists took hostage a Turkish policewoman and bargained with authorities for more than an hour. They appeared to have been convinced to free her and surrender to Turkish authorities. The explosion blew a hole in a six-inch wall and shattered glass doors, witnesses said. The departure lounge, up a flight

of stairs from the waiting area, was littered with abandoned luggage and a bag of sweets was scattered over the blood-spotted floor. There was a trail of blood leading from the lounge to the main airport entrance, the witnesses said. This was the first hijacking attempt since June 27 when a group of anti-Israel terrorists hijacked an Air France Airbus over Athens with more than 250 persons on board and flew to Uganda. That drama ended a week later when Israeli commandos raided Entebbe (Continued on page 2, col. 5)

ALL-OUT PUSH IN LEBANON

POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

Lebanon's civil war, which entered its 17th month tonight, escalated sharply last night as Christian forces and their rivals the PLO-leftist alliance waged murderous offensives against each other's main strongholds.

The Christian "capital" of Junieh, where President Sleiman Franjeh has been orchestrating his country's struggle against the PLO-leftist camp, was reported ablaze with shell-fire. The attack on the port city north of Beirut was reported to have been mounted by leftist chief Kamal Jumblatt's mountain warriors, to ease the pressure of Christian offensives in various parts of Lebanon's coastal and mountain regions.

The Christians were earlier in the day said to be making substantial advances against leftist-held western Beirut and in PLO enclaves north, east and south of the Lebanese capital.

Christian military activity again centred on the PLO's strategic Tel el-Zaatar camp, east of Beirut, in what seemed to be a final bid to overrun it. Foreign correspon-

dents agreed that time was running out for the PLO-leftist forces in Tel el-Zaatar, which has been subjected to a tight seven-week siege. Christian commanders in the area said the camp will fall within 48 hours.

The 74-acre camp, named after the thyme growing in nearby hills, is considered the backbone of the PLO force dominating the leftist alliance in Lebanon. Its fall could lead to the PLO and leftist submitting to a Syrian dictate that Lebanon's state authority be revived with Christians and Moslems sharing power equally.

Even if they are subdued, however, neither wing of the PLO-leftist alliance would necessarily disintegrate. They would more likely be reorganized under new leadership subject to Damascus' control.

Meanwhile, the Moslem Prime Minister in Lebanon's de facto government, Rashid Karami, conferred yesterday with a number of former premiers — all Moslems — in a reported attempt to revive Lebanon's state institutions under Christian president-elect Sarkis.

Mortar attack on Rhodesia border town

UMTALI, Rhodesia. — Rhodesia last night accused Mozambique's regular forces of launching early morning mortar bombardments yesterday on the border city of Umtali and on a Rhodesian police post to the south.

About 30-35 mortar bombs hit the town, Rhodesia's fourth largest, at 4 a.m. local time, damaging several houses in a white suburb and injuring an African maid slightly. The mortar attack came hours after Rhodesian troops Sunday on a black nationalist guerrillas base inside Mozambique in which more than 300 guerrillas, 30 Mozambican soldiers and 10 civilians were reportedly killed.

An official communique declared emphatically that troops of the Mozambique Frelimo government — not black Rhodesian guerrillas — were responsible for the mortar attack on Umtali from across the Mozambique border five km. away.

The communique said, "minor damage was caused to government installations with no serious damage to civilian property."

Police sources in Umtali said it was believed the Chinese-made 82mm.

"Like the Israelis we can live with this," said Joseph Alhede, a South African-born Jew. "But like the Israelis we are not going to budge an inch."

In Johannesburg, a leading South African newspaper warned that Rhodesia's strike into Mozambique could give Cuba and the Soviet Union "the excuse they needed" to launch an Angola-style war in the area.

(Reuters)

Schindler admits 'tension' with Israeli Consulate

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WASHINGTON. — "I am told that there has always been a certain amount of tension between the Israeli Consulate in New York and the embassy in Washington," Rabbi Alexander Schindler, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, said yesterday.

In an interview with The Jerusalem Post, the Jewish leader said that this "tension" was part of an "institutional problem" involving the question of which diplomatic mission — in New York or Washington — should deal with the national Jewish organizations, such as the Presidents' Conference.

Schindler said that the problem stems from the fact that many of the national Jewish organizations are headquartered in New York and the Israeli consul general there also feels that he should get involved in dealing with them. "I am not sure that there is a solution," he added.

The chairman of the Presidents' Conference spoke yesterday following publication of a report in yesterday's "Ha'aretz" that relations

between the Presidents' Conference and the Israeli consulate in New York, specifically consul-general Uri Ben-Ari, have been severed.

Asked by The Post yesterday to comment on that report and whether there was a crisis in relations between the New York-based Jewish leadership and the consulate there, Schindler replied: "How can there be a crisis if there is no functional relationship with the consulate? We are a national organization and we relate to the embassy. That relationship is superb."

The spokesman for the Israel Embassy here in Washington told The Post: "There is no dispute or difference of opinion between the Embassy in Washington and the consulate-general in New York."

The Post diplomatic correspondent, adds that the report alleging that important Jewish organizations had broken off contact with the consulate is largely dismissed in Jerusalem.

The spokesman of the Foreign Ministry had "no comment." The purpose of this reaction — when an outright denial might have been anticipated — is apparently to play down the report and not allow it to simmer into a controversy.

Police kill 4 in Cape Town riot

JOHANNESBURG. — South African police yesterday shot and killed four black rioters in the first major outbreak of unrest in Cape Town's African suburbs.

A police spokesman said crowds of blacks had destroyed seven liquor stores, a library and a post office in the Langa and Gugulethu

townships outside Cape Town. Two blacks were wounded when police used teargas and gunfire to disperse the stone-throwing crowds.

The latest deaths brought the casualty toll in a week of anti-government demonstrations in the country to 15. (UPI)

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the departure hall and raked the area with machine-guns. Turkish security guards killed one of the three attackers, said to be a Spaniard, and captured the other two, both Arabs.

It was believed the terrorists had intended boarding the plane and hijacking it but were discovered during the Turkish security check.

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Turkish police lead away unidentified terrorist after last night's attack at Istanbul airport. (UPI, Telephoto)

Rabin blames international community

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin last night castigated the international community for doing nothing to cooperate in Israel's battle against terror.

Addressing the Israel Bonds leadership conference in Jerusalem (reported on page 2) the Premier said that the attack on El Al passengers in Istanbul was another battle in the war of terrorism. "After the Entebbe operation, I said that we had won a great victory, but it was only in one battle. (Our rescue of the hostages in Entebbe) didn't end terror... We have to bear that in mind," he asserted.

"Israel has to cope with double standards in the attitudes of most countries to us and to our neighbours." The guilty nations, Rabin noted, were not merely in the Communist Bloc or the Third World, but also in the West.

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Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received the Thai Ambassador, and Mrs. Nibhon Wilairat, upon completion of the Ambassador's tour of duty in Israel.

The Austrian Ambassador, Dr. Johannes Nestor, gave a reception yesterday at his residence in Herzliya Pithul to mark the end of his tour of duty in Israel. Among those attending were the Ministers of Defence, Justice and Absorption, the mayor of Tel Aviv, and the Chief Army Chaplain.

Dr. Karl Stein, first assistant in orthopaedics at the Hadassah University Hospital, has been selected by the Orthopaedic Association of California, as one of its travelling fellows for 1976.

2 die, 30 hurt in road mishaps

HEBRON. — Thirty youngsters were slightly injured yesterday when a tour bus overturned near the Arab village of Hahul, while on its way to Kfar Etzion.

The bus was filled with a group from the Bnei Akiva youth movement's Netanya branch.

The cause of the accident is still undetermined. Most of those hospitalized were expected to be released shortly.

In other traffic accidents, an eight-year-old boy from Khan Yunis in the Gaza Strip, Salah Abu Alhasan, was run over and killed yesterday as he was crossing the Gaza-Khan Yunis road. He was struck by a passing pickup truck driven by an Israeli driver.

In Migdal Ha'emek, a 15-year-old boy, whose name has as yet not been released for publication, was also struck down and killed by a passing truck. (Hm)

Dayan never met Egyptian spy

TEL AVIV. — Moshe Dayan said yesterday he never met an Egyptian spy who claimed to be a friend.

"I haven't been able to remember anything about the fellow," Dayan said when asked about the publication in Cairo's "Ahar Saah" magazine of the memoirs of Egyptian agent Abdel Rahim Karaman.

Dayan said he knew the Karaman to be a distinguished Arab family from the Haifa area, but he denied any contact with Abdel Rahim, who was sentenced to 10 years jail on spying charges in 1970. Karaman was released in a prisoner exchange after the Yom Kippur War.

New F.M. spokesman

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent Avraham (Avi) Primor has been appointed spokesman of the Foreign Ministry and head of its press department.

Primor joined the Foreign Ministry in 1960. His last post was in Paris where he was Minister and Counselor. At the Geneva conference on the Middle East in December 1973, he was spokesman of the Israeli delegation, a post which he also filled in subsequent meetings over the interim agreements with Egypt and Syria.

Shemtov, Kupat Holim in battle of words

A full-fledged confrontation has developed between Health Minister Victor Shemtov and the Histadrut Kupat Holim, over the latter's policy in assigning patients to hospitals, and the battle is being waged primarily by statements to the press.

The Health Minister, speaking to reporters yesterday, intimated that Kupat Holim's hospitals may be taken out of the Histadrut's hands and placed in a "framework" linked to the Government hospitals and controlled by the Health Ministry. He linked this step to failure of the Knesset to pass the National Health Bill.

Kupat Holim's chairman Asher Yadin and its medical director Prof. Haim Doron yesterday sent a letter to the minister, releasing its content to the press at the same time, in which they sharply criticized him for accusations he had made against the sick fund — via the news media.

"We were shocked to hear via the media," they charged, "that the charges attributed to you that Kupat Holim 'moves patients about great distances without medical necessity, and at times against medical considerations'."

"It is strange and puzzling that despite our request, included in the minutes of the joint coordinating committee of June 8, which you chaired, to draw to our attention any complaint (of such moving of patients), you have not done so, and chose instead to go to the press with a charge about which we did not know."

"As you are aware, the new hospitalization plan was begun by Kupat Holim on April 1, when the new charges of IL350 per day in Government hospitals went into effect. We presented the new plan to you several times, and you did not disapprove of it — saying it would reduce the patient overload in Government hospitals."

Kupat Holim's letter goes on to say that the plan is a regional one, which does not cause much change in the general locations in which patients are hospitalized, but tries to make hospital admissions more efficient — without skipping public or Government hospitals. Shemtov's charges do not hurt Kupat Holim's reputation, Yadin and Doron, but tend to damage the co-operation between the sick fund and the Health Ministry.

For years, they added, Kupat Holim had demanded a common authority for health services — and recently had proposed a hospitalization administration which would govern all hospital admissions, in order to avoid conflict of interest and bring all standards up to a common level — but Shemtov rejected the plan.

The conflict between Shemtov and Kupat Holim stems, apparently, from the troubles surrounding the Poriya Hospital near Tiberias, which primarily serves the Jordan Valley settlements. The hospital has often been on the verge of closure, its doctors have complained of inferior or inadequate equipment.

The Jordan Valley Regional Council, most recently, have decided to equip their hospital themselves, by taxing residents IL10 per head and raising IL100,000, then asking local industry to supplement the funds.

Meanwhile, Kupat Holim's regional commission in Galilee proposed that the Government let the hospital to the sick fund, so it could operate it. This, they argued, would save it from its crisis.

Shemtov, reacting to this proposal, yesterday sharpened his attack on Kupat Holim, linking the issue at the same time to the National Health Law, which did not come to its second and third readings in the Knesset. (Shemtov very much wants passage of the bill, but it remained pending in committee for fear it would cause a coalition crisis.)

"If Kupat Holim's management thinks full coordination cannot be had," he said yesterday, "it makes more sense to suggest that Kupat Holim let its hospital in Afula (to which Poriya has allegedly been losing patients) to the Government, so it can control the three hospitals in the region — there, in Tiberias and in Safed, and properly organize all admissions in Galilee."



Passengers on El-Al's Tuesday night flight from Johannesburg enjoyed a free performance of songs from the hit musical "Ipi Tombi." The 40-strong cast passed the long flying hours by singing parts of the musical to the passengers. The company landed yesterday morning. (Shmuel Yari)

Youth Capital inaugurated by torchbearers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Two boys, an Arab and a Jew, running with a torch into Sacher Park, inaugurated Jerusalem's Youth Capital last night.

The torch was borne in relays from the camp set up for Arab youth in Beit Hanina. Receiving the runners, Mayor Teddy Kollek presented the "keys of the Capital" to the two 17-year-old youths who will be acting as mayor and deputy mayor of the 10-day Youth Capital, Zvi Goldberg of West Jerusalem and Bassam Ashaiya of the Mount of Olives.

Teams of youths, participating in the programmes, today begin distributing flowers to tourists outside the Israel Museum, the Intercontinental Hotel and the Tourism Office inside Jaffa Gate. Thousands of youths will participate in the day-long cultural and sports activities in the Beit Hanina and Sacher Park encampments.

Alignment wins 60 seats on IAI works council

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Employees of the Israel Aircraft Industry affiliated with the Alignment won most of the seats in the elections to the work committee, it was reported yesterday.

Shmuel Kishales, the secretary-general of the works council, told The Jerusalem Post that 60 of the 73 members in the new council are people he had sponsored. Kishales who had stood for election (not re-election because of a new system) in the production section obtained 45 per cent of the votes.

Six Gahal supporters and seven non-aligned members were also elected.

The opposition alleged that Kishales had rigged previous elections three years ago, and was guilty of illegal practices connected with the supermarket serving the workers. Special precautions were taken in Tuesday's elections.

Nurses to hold warning strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The central committee of the Nurses Union yesterday decided to hold a one-day warning strike on August 25 to press their demands for higher wages and better working conditions.

However, it was reported that the nurses would call off the strike if serious negotiations are opened immediately concerning their demands.

The two major employers of nurses in the country are the Ministry of Health and Kupat Holim.

Holon Rotary to give 102 scholarships

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HOLON. — The Rotary Club here will distribute 102 scholarships worth over IL30,000 to local needy students tonight.

The recipients will be high school and university students, including disabled war veterans, blind students and students handicapped by polio.

Labour ranks miffed over faction basis

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party's veteran leadership is facing mounting opposition to the committee it appointed to prepare the party's convention.

The committee of 35 was nominated by the Leadership Bureau Tuesday, but leaders of party "regions" Leshivuv and the Young Guard protested.

Much of the critics' activity has been conducted informally. Nissim Zuil, secretary of the Moshavim region told The Jerusalem Post that if the party's Central Committee meeting this afternoon will not discuss the committee's composition a special session will be demanded.

"There will be no difficulty in obtaining the 100 signatures needed to call a special session of the Central Committee," he said. Leshivuv and the Young Guard leaders are meeting this morning to discuss their stand. Party leaders in Ramat Gan and other branches last night demanded representation on the committee.

Membership in the preparatory committee was apportioned according to a key established when Mapai, Rafi and Ahdut Ha'avoda merged eight years ago. But the critics want more power to non-factional groups. They complained there was danger of old factionalism taking over and that not enough opportunities were given for "the emergence of new ideas."

3 Bay suburbs now municipalities

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — In three successive festive ceremonies Interior Minister Dr. Yosef Burg yesterday promoted the Haifa suburbs of Kiryat Blalik, Kiryat Motzkin and Kiryat Yam to municipal status and installed their council heads as mayors.

He would have preferred, Burg told the audience of councilmen and Government officials, to see the three form a single Bay-side City, but he would not impose his own view on them. "Under the circum-

stances you should do jointly what ever can be done jointly, by strengthening cooperation."

Kiryat Blalik Mayor Zvi Kardiner said that during the past three years his town had absorbed 1,000 immigrant families, most of them from the Soviet Union.

The other new mayors are Moshe Goshen in Kiryat Motzkin and Ben-Yamin Eliaz in Kiryat Yam. All three municipalities have 11-man councils each, the latter two dominated by the Alignment.

Airport workers fired for luggage pilfering

By ZEEV SCHUL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Twelve employees at Ben-Gurion Airport were suspended from work and four subsequently dismissed after investigations into complaints of thefts of luggage, Transport Minister Gad Yacobi revealed here on Tuesday.

Several dozens of cases of theft were reported since the beginning of this year, he said. The police and airport terminal management are clamping down, he pledged.

There were a total of 58 complaints of theft — including 35 by passengers at Lod in 1975. As a result of investigations, legal steps were taken in 10 cases.

The police was continuing to tighten its surveillance of the airport installations and the airport administration was also exercising greater care in hiring new employees, he said.

Graves exposed near Hebron cemetery

HEBRON. — Workers at a development site near the old Jewish cemetery here have exposed a number of graves, believed by members of the Kiryat Arba community to be those of Jews.

The Military Governor of Hebron has ordered work stopped at the site and had the area cordoned off. Gush Emunim supporters plan to hold memorial services in the cemetery next Sunday, anniversary of the 1929 massacre of the Jewish community of this city. (Hm)

Crack down on foreign cash smuggling

By YITZHAK OKED

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — Israelis going abroad are being deterred from smuggling foreign currency out of the country by a concerted police campaign here.

This is believed to be one of the reasons for the current drop in demand for black market dollars. (The Lilienblum dollar reached record lows in the past few days.)

However, many Israelis, who see the \$450 currency allowance as insufficient have revived the "private bankers" scheme whereby Israelis going abroad pay smugglers here to be contacted by "bankers" abroad with additional foreign currency. The police fraud department told The Jerusalem Post they are aware of the revival of this scheme and they have made a number of arrests.

Last night's attack at Istanbul Airport, 20 km. from the city centre, was the first such incident in Turkey involving Arabs. On two previous occasions local deserters, pirated Turkish aircraft planes to Bulgaria. (Reuters, A.P., UPI)

Last night's attack was reminiscent of one of the early Arab terrorist assaults in a foreign airport in Munich, on February 10, 1970. In that raid by four terrorists on a bus carrying passengers from an airline terminal to an El Al flight, one Israeli was killed, and 11 persons were injured, among them ac-

Likud raps choice Knesset comptroller

By ASHER WALLFISH

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Likud — the second largest Knesset faction — has objected very strongly to the appointment of Baruch Azania as the internal comptroller of the Knesset.

Likud M.K. Avraham Katz, who belonged to a two-man team set up last year by the House Committee to recommend ways of intensifying internal control in the Knesset, said last night that Azania's appointment was a political one and that he does not have the skills required for the job.

Azania was an M.K. for nearly 20 years, a staunch Labour member, and a chairman of the House Committee. He chaired a Histadrut control committee after quitting the Knesset, but he has no audit or accounting training.

Mr. Katz said last night that he

and Adi Yaffe recommended a two-man team that the

full-time comptroller "economic, financial and administrative" skills required to work of the Knesset.

Katz said: "With all the for Azania whom we all do not meet our criteria a political appointment and it is unacceptable."

Katz' statement bore the of Likud faction chairman Nissim.

Katz and Yaffe urged new comptroller, who would be report at regular in the House Committee, clear whether Speaker Yeshayahu, who appoints with effect from next September Azania, to be equal able to him and to the Knesset.

Exports up — but not exceeding 1976 target

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Despite a spurt in exports during the first half of 1976, economic planners do not expect the year's end performance to exceed target. An early version of the up-dated National Budget for 1976, due to be tabled in the Cabinet shortly, indicates that exports over the twelve-month period will in all likelihood be \$4.25b. — only \$76m. more than predictions made in the original plan.

Visible exports will increase in volume by 15 per cent (compared with 1975) — which is better than the scheduled 11 per cent. But prices on the export market are rising by three per cent, not 4 per cent, as thought.

Nevertheless, the trade deficit will narrow by \$150-200m. more than anticipated, to \$3.5b. last year, around \$3.5b. The chief cause is the fall in imports, due partly to a fortuitous two per cent decline.

Figures released yesterday the first quarter of 1976 (March) show a trade of \$780m. This was bridged transfers (UJA, Restitut vate transfers, etc.) to of \$495m., while borrowed by \$285m.

The deficit is an improvement over 25 per cent compared the average figure during quarters of last year.

Monetary factors bolstered during the period include a redemption of loan this month to the IL\$20m., and the hike in off-living allowance due to that should pump more than the sum into circulation thereafter.

Israel-U.S. relationship 'at a peak' — Rabin

By JUDY SIEGEL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"The U.S. and Israel have reached a peak in their mutual relationship, economically, politically and militarily," Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin stated last night.

Rabin told 100 Israeli Bonds leaders on the closing night of their leadership conference in the Jerusalem Hilton that he does not foresee a change in this relationship in the next four years. "We have established a solid basis of friendship, regardless of who wins the U.S. presidential election," U.S. aid, however, is not "in the pocket," and we have to work hard to make sure that it continues, the Premier added.

Listing the various instances of in-fighting in the Arab world, Rabin said that such does not "bother me much unfortunately, the Arab situation, however, has prevented them from coming about ways to peace. Israel. "We will have to be said."

The Bonds leaders, has campaign general chairman Rothberg, spent the last of their week-long visit at in Pithat Rafiah. They were asked to help projects, such as computer, film-making and

Before visiting individuals for lunch, some of the leaders found the Mediterranean beach so inviting that plunged directly into the — fully clothed.

Blast in Ramallah as strike ends

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An explosive charge went off outside the Bank Leumi branch in Ramallah yesterday morning, but caused no damage. Another charge discovered almost simultaneously outside the nearby Discount bank was dismantled by sappers.

The home-made explosives were placed outside the two Israeli institutions as Ramallah and its twin town of el-Bireh ended a 10-day commercial strike in protest against the imposition of the new Value Added Tax. The strike went on for the eleventh day running in Nablus, Jerin and Tulkarm.

Defence Minister Shimon Peres yesterday said that he would be prepared to meet West Bank businessmen to discuss "constructive" alternatives to VAT in the administered areas. He however cautioned that the tax could not be rescinded as a levy "because too much trade goes on between Israel and the territories."

Peres' statement last night triggered speculation that he would meet with the West Bank Chambers of Commerce within the next day or two to overcome local protest against VAT, which is linked to bookkeeping — an aspect West Bankers vigorously reject.

Passengers reporting complaints resulting from Entebbe experiences will be a company doctor and, if given medical treatment to recuperation homes for periods. However, some of the compensation, such as anguish, are being referred Israeli branch office here company's main office in will be dealt with by the lawyers.

Orthodox Laniado Hospital opened at Kiryat Sanz

Jerusalem Post Staff

NETANYA. — The Laniado Hospital in the Kiryat Sanz quarter here, built at a cost of IL\$5m., was formally opened yesterday. The hospital is being run in strict accordance with halacha.

The hospital's first department, the outpatient clinic, was opened a year ago, and several thousand patients have already sought aid. The second of the maternity ward, was six weeks ago, and some men have already given these, only 15 were from Sanz, which has a population of 1,500.

A 30-bed Internal Medicine department is scheduled to open in two months, and two departments — surgery and gynecology — each of 30 beds opened next year. An internal unit of six beds is also "The hospital will have in the first stage, Dr. Gerstein of Boston will 80-member staff, which in doctors.

The hospital bears the two brothers, the Laniado Jewish immigrants who had business in Geneva, a childless, leaving a trust, erecting the hospital, was turned over to Rabbi Halberstam, the "Klausenbi," who began developing Sanz as an orthodox quarter.

The hospital's annual will be about IL\$10m. hospital (like every other institution in Israel) is looking for ways and balancing its first year's

NEVE HANNA Children's and Youth Home, Kiryat Gat mourns the death of its true friend and member of its Board of Directors.

PROF. S. UCHO

and shares the grief of the family.

Directors, Management, Employees and Children NEVE HANNA

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DOV (Bela) KIVOVITS

The funeral took place yesterday, Wednesday, August 11, 1976, at Holon Cemetery.

Shiva at the house of the deceased, 9 Sderot Motzkin, Tel Aviv.

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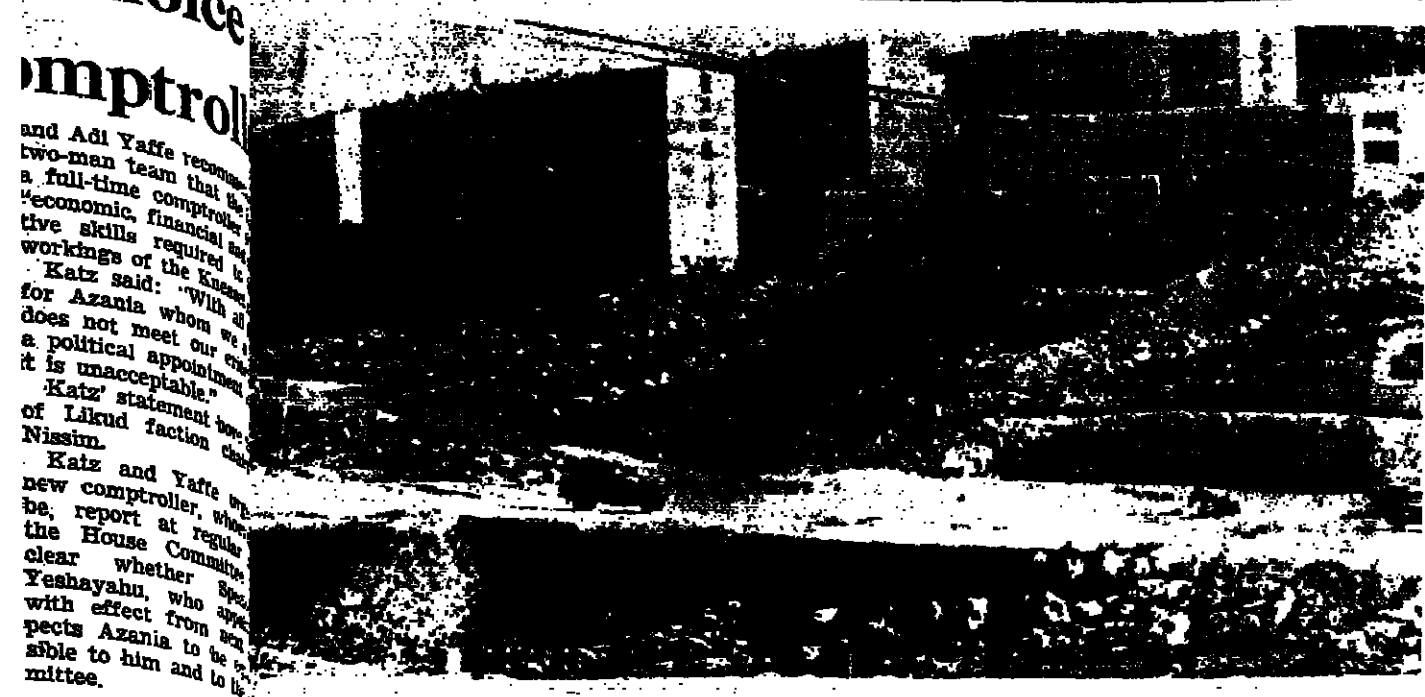
With deep sorrow, we mourn the death of our beloved mother

JETTY KAUFMANN

(née Schimmer)

James and Blanka Springer
née Kaufmann
and family

הקדמת לאל



Spare parts importers unite

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The country's 15 to 20 importers of second-hand motors, parts and other automobile spare parts formed a union yesterday in order to fight for the right to import the parts regularly without being "harassed."

Ya'acov Gur, one of the importers, yesterday told a press conference that the dealers were being "harassed" by customs authorities, "probably due to pressure on them by importers of new parts who don't want the competition." He said that last December the imports were stopped completely, and permission to resume was only granted last month after the trade was investigated.

The second-hand spare parts are purchased in Europe at only 10 per cent of the amount needed for new parts, Gur explained. The second-hand parts are sold here, after custom duties are paid, at one-fourth to one-third of the price of new parts, he said.

Gur stressed that safety parts, which must be new according to Transport Ministry regulations, are not imported.

Gur said that authorities required the importers to bring the second-hand parts into the country in wooden crates and not in containers. He said he was "led by the nose" for a fortnight until a shipment of parts was checked. Although he had paid about IL26,000 for the whole shipment, Gur said customs authorities ruled that the parts "were in excellent condition and of recent manufacture" and estimated their value at 50 per cent more, imposing a IL90,000 customs fee.

Gur also charged that the Haifa customs men had valued part of a shipment last November by 30 per cent, but after being checked by 11 inspectors, the national assessing coordinator, Y. Oppenheim, ruled that every part in the shipment be increased in value by 200 per cent. Gur said he paid the duties "under protest."



Truckers holding a slow-motion protest parade through Tel Aviv's main streets yesterday. The sign on the leading truck says: "We and our trucks are called to army reserve duty — why not the railroads?" (Mifal Hapayis)

Truckers protest in low gear through T.A.

By YITZHAK ORED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Traffic was held up here yesterday between 8 and 11 a.m. when 150 trucks were paraded slowly through some of the busiest streets of the city to protest Transport Ministry policy governing their branch.

The police, who had okayed the protest drive, claimed that no serious disruptions were caused to the traffic due to the hours (after the morning rush and before the noon rush) and the route, which was restricted to wide and multi-lane roads.

The trucks drove from the Fair Grounds in the north along Derech Haifa, up Rehov Carlebach to Rehov Ben Gurion and back to the starting point. Police said the protest will be repeated today and on Sunday during the same morning hours, and along the same route.

The truckers claim that since the Yom Kippur War, the Government has imported about 4,000 trucks, which have been sold to the public. They demand that these trucks be re-purchased and not sold because the present economic situation and the drop in imports mean there are too many trucks on the roads.

The truckers also claim unfair competition from the truckers of the administered territories, and from the railways, which are subsidized by the government. The truckers also claim all their operations costs have risen, and next month the insurance is going up by at least IL4,000 per truck per year.

"If we have to pay cash for this, right away as is being demanded, then we will not have wages to pay drivers on the eve of the High Holidays," the head of a large trucking firm told The Jerusalem Post.

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J'lem can now control its water supply

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The chances of water shortages in Jerusalem were reduced yesterday with the opening of a monitoring station that will for the first time permit the city's widespread water network to be under permanent scrutiny.

The station located at the Municipal Water Department's reservoir in Bayit Vegan, monitors electronically the level of the water in the city's 10 reservoirs, their chlorine content, the amount of water entering the city water system from 10 different pipelines, the functioning of pumping stations and other elements. The entire system, serving what is now Israel's largest and most populous city, can be scanned by a single person sitting in a control room.

Various sections of Jerusalem have experienced water shortages in the past when reservoirs unexpectedly ran low, leaks were sprung or other malfunctions occurred without being immediately spotted.

The director of the Municipal Water Department, Avi Samuel, said at the opening of the monitoring station yesterday that the city had experienced a radical growth in its water system since the Six Day War. The amount of water supplied by the department has tripled in the past nine years — from 11 million cubic metres annually to 31m. cubic metres. Since 1967, 300 kms. of water pipeline have been laid. "This is unparalleled in Israel in such a span of time, and maybe in the world," said Samuel. There are now 650km. of water pipeline in the city.

The monitoring station will permit water engineers to decide rapidly on changes in the water supply system in order to meet any crisis. The monitoring system was designed by Tahal and built by Motorola and Mekorot.

Mayor Teddy Kollek was among those attending the opening ceremony. When a plaque in Hebrew and French was unveiled, he turned to an aide and ordered him to take the plaque down today and replace it with one which also contained Arabic. "There are 90,000 Arabs living in this city," he said.

Fishermen protest Atlantic imports
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The Fishermen's and Fish Breeders' Unions have started a joint campaign against the Commerce Ministry's decision to permit the virtually free import of two types of Atlantic frozen fish. The Ministry has informed importers that the imports would be sanctioned without special permits.

The fish are the Rotherbach, which is caught in the North Atlantic and is a cheap variety, and the Corvina from the Central Atlantic, which is a more expensive fish.

The secretary of the Fish Breeders, B. Ben-Aharon, told The Jerusalem Post that the imports were likely to hit the sales of their pond fish, of which they now have stock worth several million pounds.

— but Ramot residents urge road's swift finish

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ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Residents of Ramot met with Teddy Kollek yesterday to urge swift completion of the central new road being built to the development.

Their plea came in the wake of a protest (this week against the Shmuel Haavi-Bar-Ilan intersection, as does the existing road. It will, however, swing south of the present alignment, coming behind the Har Hotzvim Industrial Park (for science-based industries) and running below the Kiryat Sams complex occupied by Orthodox Jews. The closest building is just 10 metres from the road.

The new road, being built by the Housing Ministry, is expected to be completed in two years. It will be 30-35 metres wide, compared to the existing seven-metre-wide road. By swinging wide to the west, it will lengthen the present four-kilometre trip from the Bar-Ilan intersection, but will avoid sharp bends and have gradients no steeper than eight degrees. The present road has gradients of 12 degrees and is especially difficult for buses to negotiate, particularly in winter. Municipal officials have insisted that the new road is imperative since the existing road cannot handle the traffic from the rapidly growing development.

ready living in Ramot and 1,500 more apartments are under construction. There will eventually be 5,000 units.

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Davis Cup hero here to coach

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

MAT HASELTON. — Britain's Davis Cup hero David Lloyd is now at work at the tennis centre preparing Israel's Davis Cup team for a match against Kenya in mid-September.

Lloyd, 28, arrived on Monday to take up the long-vacant post of national coach to the Israeli Tennis Association.

At last weekend, the U.K. press cupation with "heroic" performance in spearheading Britain's five-set doubles victory over Italy at Wimbledon in competitors' 1976 European final. Lloyd's partner was his brother, John.

His campaign general on Tuesday, with his hands still tied from the four-hour match, he described by "The Daily Telegraph" as "giving Great Britain some of their most town with experienced moments in the Davis Cup projects, such as many years" — Lloyd made a dusty, film-mag Israeli sweat as he put them through their first workout, and he

Before visiting the training programme for lunch, some today. The squad consists of leaders found in Komo Glickstein, Shai Pini, Ilan beach so inviting, Yr Wertheimer and Yosef plunged directly into the water, which is being considered as a doubles player. Four will share for the Davis Cup team.

Lloyd said "I am quite confident with my first look at the team at present." In charge of the physical fitness of the squad is Dr. Elimelech Shochat of the largest Institute, who will work with Lloyd in the intensive training schedule now getting underway.

TEL AVIV. — An air coach says his professional academy will combine the double jeopardy out with the players on claims of the coach, and watching them play to Entebbe airport, view to ironing out their company spokesmen.

According to today, when hosts Turkey and Argentina (1975) are due to complete their round on all International round match of the Association (IATA) Zone's 1977 Davis Cup compensation the match. Israel's own first-loss luggage is scheduled to be played by weight registered at 22, but both countries have stub. Air France is Israel's request for a that sum — in a bid to Israel's request for a 2,000 French francs to take part in the U.S. Junior Championships at "hand" luggage.

Passengers' luggage, which has ground complaints, has invited the Israelis Entebbe experience, in Nairobi from September 12. Turkey is supposed to be given medical aid, and is away to Israel to re-permission and has offered to play at the Hasharon a week later.

Israeli players, 31 (13 ties) and Wertheimer, 21, (seven ties), are the Israeli coach, and the members of the squad who have appeared in the Davis Cup. However, 19-year-old Sherr, 18, and Pini, 17, have represented Israel in various international junior and senior tournaments. Wertheimer and Glickstein, strong favourites for the two berths in the coming campaign, are the regular Davis Cup pair. Shochat and Wertheimer have the edge in the doubles.

Ramle baby dies from poisoning

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A 15-month-old boy from Ramle died yesterday drinking rat poison at his mother's house. Doctors had three days trying to save his life.

The boy, Lior Dagan, was taken to Harofeh Hospital in a serious condition on Sunday morning, but his mother's efforts to save his life were unsuccessful.

Ramle police is investigating criminal negligence was the cause of the death.

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Tourism Min. backs hotels' claim for \$ incentives

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Tourism Ministry yesterday called on the Treasury to bring the foreign currency incentive paid to the hotel trade to the level granted other branches of the export industry.

Director-General Avraham Rosenman of the Ministry said there was no economic justification for the different levels of incentive. The hotels sell their "product" to foreign customers just as is the case in other export branches. The difference, he added, was that in the case of the hotels the money was also spent in Israel.

The only basis for different rates of incentive would be the added value of the foreign currency earned, he stressed, pointing out that the hotels were among the branches giving the highest value.

Rosenmann was speaking in Jerusalem at a ceremony awarding prizes to eight outstanding workers at the four Dead Sea resort hotels.

He pointed out that the demand for higher incentive payments was prompted by the need to prevent a rise in rates while assuring the rentability of Israel's hotels, and their ability to compete with other tourism destinations at a time when the official rate of exchange in Israel was below what he termed the "realistic rate."

The incentive of 90 agora paid to hotels is about one-third the maximum rate paid in the export industry.

In awarding the prizes, Rosenmann praised the hotels in the Dead Sea region for maintaining a high standard of service. He said that the region would be granted top priority in the Ministry's development plans because of its special nature.

J'lem passengers stranded as Egged drivers strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Bus drivers on two main lines in Jerusalem staged an unofficial strike yesterday morning to protest against Egged's cuts in the early morning service. The drivers say that they have to bear the wrath of passengers who are kept waiting for lengthy periods on the Nos. 4 and 18 routes.

Thousands of residents waited futilely for buses during the morning rush hour and there were scuffles with some drivers when they finally showed up.

An Egged spokesman said many buses in the city had been laid up because of a lack of spare parts.

Yeshiva students were stoned yesterday by residents of the village of Peki'in in Upper Galilee when they came to pray in several of the village's sacred sites, including its synagogue. No one was hurt. Some of the villagers have feared for some time that the students intended to establish a yeshiva and to settle there.

Huge gov't price hike on imported meat — to protect poultry sales

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

The Government has put up the price of imported frozen meat twice in recent weeks, making a total increase of IL450 a kilo. The purpose is to protect local poultry sales, which have been sagging.

Faced with criticisms from an indignant public, officials in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry pointed out yesterday that these measures may be temporary — but only on condition that meat prices recover abroad. There is no room for cheap meat imports in Israel, they imply.

The Ministry is under pressure from the agricultural interests, who face a double problem. Chicken output has shot ahead of planned targets, while at the same time demand suddenly plummeted.

A remarkable improvement in the quality of meat purchased in South America caused a leap in consumption from 2,500 tons a month at the end of last year to 4,000 tons. This expansion came at the expense of the domestic fowl, and the marketing board is stuck with unsold surpluses.

"We had to do something, otherwise the hill-top settlements which depend on poultry-farming will be in financial trouble," an official told The Jerusalem Post. Chicken breast (fresh) fetches IL33 a kilo — and that is a subsidised price. Frozen meat from South America was costing only a pound or two more, prior to the Government's recent price increase.

Pressed by a vociferous farm lobby, the Knesset Economic Committee recommended protective action — which, as it happens is profitable to the revenue. Each one pound rise imposed on the selling-price of meat imports swells the Government's profit by IL40m. a year.

Opponents of this protectionist step point out that the "profit" engineered by the Government is equivalent to a tariff. They ask whether such a levy can properly be decreed by a Government department without the formality of parliamentary legislation, even on the recommendation of a Knesset committee.

The Ministry's response: the Government uses the tax money from meat imports to subsidise the local poultry industry — and that, the Ministry lawyers stress, is perfectly valid.

Defenders of official policy add that meat prices fluctuate. "We cannot refrain from intervening when the world market falls into recession. If we let the poultry branch crumble, it won't be there when we need it."

"And we shall need it next year," they say, because the European drought this summer caused extensive slaughtering, so meat will be short the world over, they predict.

'Large families can't afford higher fees'

By YA'ACOV AERON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Israel faces a major social calamity because of a massive drop-out of the children of large families from school due to the higher tuition fees and the general increase in living costs.

This warning was sounded yesterday by Avraham Danino, founder and chairman of Zahavi (Society for the Advancement of Large Families). He told a press conference that the drop-outs would include three- and four-year-olds from kindergartens, as well as teenagers from high schools.

Danino, citing enrollment figures already available from the Haifa and Tel-Aviv municipalities and Yotvata, reported a significant drop in children registered for kindergartens, because their parents cannot afford the IL3,250 annual fee.

Contending that "educationalists and sociologists agreed that education should begin at the age of three," the Haifa city councilman declared that the "great social achievement introduced in 1965 after considerable effort by the late Pinhas Sapir is now in danger of being stunted."

He said Haifa alone has 800 vacancies, and the chairman of the Yotvata local council is also afraid that education in the new township will suffer.

Danino called for a single, uniform rate of minimums for graded fees at all levels of education. He contended that the table should be based on what it actually costs to raise a child in 1976. He thought that IL650 was the minimum per capita income, below which parents should be exempt from education fees. He said that 92 per cent of the country's large families are at the bottom of the national income level.

The Zahavi founder complained that the Education and Finance Ministries, for the past two years, have included the National Insurance Institute grants to families with three or more children in their taxable income, thus worsening the families' financial position on the table of graded school fees. He cited section 116 of the National Insurance Law, which says that "the grant, in respect to children, will not be regarded as income for the purposes of income tax regulations, for the determination of compulsory payments or any other taxes."

Danino charged that the practice of the Ministry was therefore unlawful, although it was now being extended to high school fees.

"The original purpose of grants for the third and additional children was to compensate the families for the cost of bringing them up," Danino said. "But the Finance Ministry — perhaps because it has failed to collect all the income tax due — is now trying to recover through the education fees what it is paying out through the National Insurance Institute."

Figures obtained by surveys point out that of the total population, 10 per cent are large families, contributing a disproportionate amount to Mifal Hapayis's net income of IL120m. a year, he said. It would be fair, Danino claimed, if the national lottery would set up a IL5m. annual fund to promote education among the large families. "Why invest only in educational buildings and not in people?" he asked.

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S. Africa to extend jail-without-trial

JOHANNESBURG. — South African Justice Minister James Kruger announced Tuesday night that the government had decided to extend to the whole of South Africa its new powers of preventive detention — arrest without charge or trial.

Hitherto the sweeping powers under the internal security act had applied only to Transvaal province, which includes Johannesburg and its riot-torn southwestern black township of Soweto.

The powers were introduced on July 15, one day before major rioting broke out in Soweto in which 176 people died.

Kruger said the decision to extend preventive detention countrywide was prompted by sporadic rioting in the other three provinces. (The rioting began last month over plans, later withdrawn, to use Afrikaans for some subjects in black schools.)

Soweto was quiet yesterday, but on the other side of Johannesburg black workers wielding knobkerries attacked youths who were trying to stop them from going to work.

The incident occurred in Alexandra Township on Johannesburg's northeastern border, where two blacks were killed by police gunfire on Monday to bring the death toll in township unrest since mid-June to 188.

Police have appealed to law-abiding workers in the townships to arm themselves with knobkerries — the traditional short, heavy wooden clubs borne by African warriors — to fight off rioters and "isotists" or township hoodlums.

Armed police escorts were put on buses running into Alexandra Township and Soweto yesterday. The buses, which have been operating only to the outskirts of Soweto since rioting erupted again a week ago, are now going 10 km further into the township.

The most serious disturbance reported yesterday was in the Bophuthatswana Tribal Reserve township of Illoeseng near Lichtenburg, about 190 km west of Johannesburg. A school building and several government vehicles were set ablaze and hundreds of demonstrating children thronged the streets.

In the Pretoria area, government vehicles were stoned near a school in Mamelodi township and a police truck was stoned at Hammanskraal. In the city centre, a black resident poured petrol over himself and burned himself to death.

In previously quiet Cape Town, police riot units were sent to the African townships of Langa and Gugulethu, hundreds of pupils left classes to parade through the streets singing. (Reuters)

Belfast rioters blow up buses, mill

BELFAST. — Terrorists blew up a bus depot in Belfast early yesterday, destroying eight buses during the fourth straight day of violence since IRA supporters said they would "tear Belfast down" if special privileges are taken away from imprisoned IRA men.

In other violence a mob in Roman Catholic West Belfast burned down a flour mill with petrol bombs, and a community centre was destroyed in another Catholic district.

Soldiers and police arrested seven persons in the 100-strong mob at the flour mill, which had turned on security forces with stones and broken bottles, a military spokesman said. It was the second attack on the mill in two days.

Elsewhere in Belfast, police opened fire on gunmen hijacking trucks in the Catholic Shore Road quarter and British soldiers claimed they wounded two gunmen in a firefight in the Ardoyne district, a stronghold of the outlawed Irish Republican Army.

Belfast, visibly scarred by seven years of sectarian feuding between Protestants and Catholics, has been turbulent since Sunday when anti-British marches by the mainly Catholic IRA's political front, Sinn Féin, turned violent. The trouble climaxed on Tuesday when a 6-month-old boy and his 8-year-old sister were killed after a car carrying two IRA gunmen who were fleeing from an army patrol careened out of control on a busy street and crushed them against iron railings. Their brother and mother were critically injured, police said.

One of the gunmen, identified as Daniel Lennon, was shot dead by the pursuing troops. The other man was wounded and captured. (AP)

12 die in Paris hotel inferno

PARIS. — Arsonists may be responsible for a hotel blaze in which 12 people died in the Pigalle nightclub district here early yesterday, a Paris fire chief said.

All of those killed in the fire, at the Hotel d'Amerique, are believed to have been foreigners, most of them North African migrant workers. Identification was difficult because the hotel register and the victims' papers had gone up in the blaze.

Fire Brigade Colonel Paul Gere told a French TV interviewer that suspicions were aroused by the unexplained outbreak of a second fire two hours later in a building only 100 metres from the Hotel d'Amerique. No one was hurt in the second blaze.

The only body identified so far was that of a young French West Indian woman. (Reuters)

Wounded West German released

LUEBBECK, West Germany. — West German diplomats yesterday brought home a 49-year-old janitor who was shot and wounded by Communist border guards after he strayed over the frontier last month.

Willi Bubbers, whose release was announced by the East Germans on Tuesday, returned to his home in Hamburg, after the East Germans decided not to prosecute him for illegally entering their territory.

Bubbers had wandered past West German warning signs into East Germany on July 24, and was taken down when he tried to run away from a border patrol. He was taken to a hospital near Mecklenburg, where his wife was allowed to visit him a few days later. (AP)

POMPEII. — Archaeologists have discovered the perfectly-preserved remains of two inhabitants of the Roman city of Pompeii, it was announced on Tuesday. Found with the bodies — of a man identified as a judge, and a woman — was a collection of their belongings, including a bronze statuette and a silver necklace. (AP)

U.S. oil policy: don't rile Arab

LOS ANGELES. — Project Independence, which aimed at making the U.S. less dependent on foreign oil, is a failure — with alarming implications for the economy and national security.

Yet Americans obviously don't want to believe there is a crisis. Big cars are back in fashion, the 88 km. per hour speed limit is being increasingly ignored, and those big, garish neon signs are all ablaze again.

Commenting on the near-total indifference of press, public and politicians to the frightening reality of the continuing energy crisis, U.S. Federal Energy Administrator Frank Zarb, mused not long ago that "sometimes you get the feeling you're living in one of those societies that used to behead the bearers of bad news. People don't want to hear about it anymore."

Congress, loath to challenge voters in their complacency, has proved unwilling to deal seriously with the problem. President Gerald Ford has been resolute only in spurts. Energy policy does not loom as a major campaign issue.

But while the U.S. energy crisis may be invisible, at least for now, it is far from over. As recently as 1971, the U.S. spent only \$3.7b. on foreign oil. This year the oil-import bill is expected to reach \$85b. Even if the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries settles for modest price-increases in the future, Americans will be paying close to \$60b. a year for imported petroleum by 1980.

Whereas the U.S. was importing 33 out of every 100 barrels of oil consumed, when the Arab oil embargo was imposed in 1973, the figure is now up to 44 out of 100 — and is still climbing.

A study by the Library of Congress notes that an Arab oil embargo in 1977 could result in a loss of \$38b. to \$56b. in the U.S. gross national product. "A domestic economic disaster of such proportions would most certainly spread to Western Europe and Japan, even if those nations did not become targets of the embargo," the study added.

Speaking at a news conference in Lahore, capital of Punjab Province, the spokesman said the Ravi River had burst its banks at more than a dozen places. Flooding had affected 3,024,738 inhabitants in 5,060 villages of the province he said.

More than 5m. acres, 1.5m. of them cropland were under the floodwaters and 53,740 houses had collapsed or been washed away. Railways and roads in the affected area were closed, the spokesman added. (AP)

The Administration's Project Independence, announced years ago, said oil imports could be virtually eliminated by major efforts were made to increase oil and gas production from U.S. offshore fields. Without such efforts, it was estimated that petroleum imports could be cut in half.

These conclusions were based on several rosy assumptions: price controls on domestic coal production would be doubled or tripled, that nuclear power would come into its own, that from shale would become a commercial reality, and that conservation efforts could restrain growth to about half of what it had been in the past.

But none of these things is happening — at least not as scheduled.

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Lisbon bars leftist march

LISBON. — Portugal's civilian government, battling to preserve stability two weeks after its birth, yesterday banned a Marxist demonstration that would have protested the return from exile of conservative former president Antonio de Spínola.

Spínola, the 66-year-old general who flew in on Tuesday after 15 months in Brazil, remained yesterday in military detention, reportedly under questioning about possible links to an anti-leftist bombing wave. Aides predicted his imminent release but this was not officially confirmed.

Prime Minister Mario Soares' minority Socialist government, meanwhile, neared the end of five days of parliamentary debate on its programme of wage ceilings, forced savings, and tax increases designed to check 50 per cent annual inflation. Approval of the austerity measures was expected with the tacit support of extremists on both the left and the right.

Spínola made no public comment after his return but his presence stole the limelight from the nationally televised Assembly of the Republic but this was not officially confirmed. (AP)

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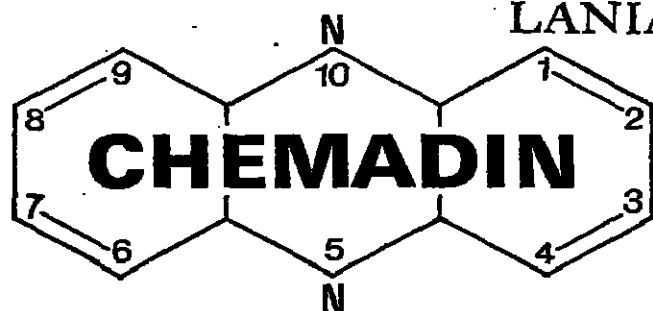
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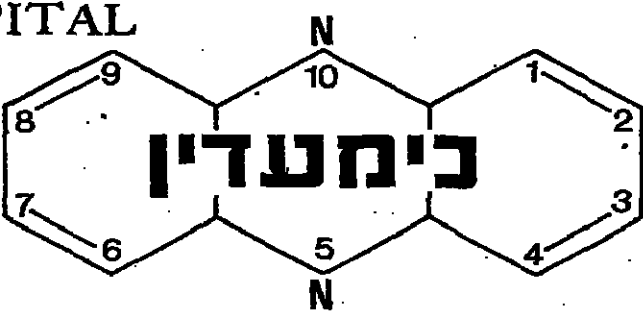
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U.S. banks charged with ignoring law on Arab boycott

NEW YORK — Reserve system with condoning the bank actions. He said that last December the Federal Reserve Board sent a letter to the banks saying, in part, "The Board asked the banks to observe such discriminatory conditions in a letter of credit may constitute a direct violation of Federal anti-trust laws or of applicable state anti-boycott laws."

According to Clark, the Board later backed away from this position. In a second letter sent to the banks, the Board suggested that it "was not intended to create new legal obligations for banks, but rather to ensure that they are familiar with their existing obligations under the Law of Export Administration Regulations and other pertinent laws."

The former Attorney General asserted that the banks' claim that the Arab boycott is purely political "ignores the obvious anti-Semitism evident in the criteria for including some companies and individuals on the boycott list."

He noted that a report of the New York State Assembly Office of Legislative Oversight and Analysis found numerous instances of individuals and companies on the list who do not do business with Israel, but who have Jewish or pro-Israel executives.

Appeal in IL125,000 tax fine upheld

The Supreme Court, in a further hearing, overruled its original decision handed down in Cr.A. 382/74. In its original judgment the Supreme Court held, by majority decision of Justices Sussman and Ben-Zion, Justice Elitzon dissenting, that if an accused, upon appeal, is acquitted of one of the charges of which he was found guilty by the trial court, then the sentence imposed for that charge need not be quashed but may, if the circumstances and justice so demand, be left as part and parcel of the sentence for the remaining counts, even though the Attorney General had not appealed against the leniency of the sentence.

In the particular case under consideration the petitioner, Yosef Kobi, had been found guilty of several income tax offenses and had been sentenced on each one separately — to prison sentences for four charges and a fine of IL125,000 for one. He appealed against the convictions on the sentence, while the Attorney General refrained from appealing against the lightness of the sentences. The Supreme Court, after acquitting him of the charge for which he had been fined IL125,000, decided by majority decision that it would be only right and just in the circumstances to leave the fine in force, recalling this decision with section 197 of the Criminal Procedure Law, 1965, which provides that: "The court (of appeal) shall not increase the penalty imposed on the accused except where the leniency of the sentence was appealed against."

Justice Elitzon, in his minority opinion, held that by leaving the sentence intact the Supreme Court would in fact be increasing the penalty imposed on the accused for those charges on which he had not been acquitted and that this was repugnant to section 197.

Kobi petitioned the President of the Supreme Court for a further hearing, which was granted him.

Mr. E. Shimon appeared for the petitioner and Mr. E. Wagner, Assistant State Attorney, for the State.

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BOTH CHARGE AND SENTENCE MUST BE QUASHED ON APPEAL

with the strict letter of this section of the law, there is obviously no fear, he held, that the appellant would be unfairly discriminated against as long as the overall penalty imposed by the trial court is not exceeded. Nor would the third purpose of the law be frustrated since it could not come as an unpleasant surprise to the accused if his overall penalty were left intact, and neither increased nor decreased. The worst that could happen was that the accused's hopes of a reduction in sentence would be disappointed, but not that he would be shocked and surprised if his penalty were left unaltered; and this disappointment could most certainly not be weighed against the public interest in having a guilty person given the punishment which fits his crimes.

As to the fact, continued the President, that the literal interpretation of section 197 might preclude some anomalous situations, as pointed out by Justice Elitzon in his minority opinion in Cr.A. 382/74, he thought, first that the purported anomaly described by Justice Elitzon could in fact be reconciled with the literal interpretation of the law, and secondly, that even if in fact some anomalous situations were inevitably created this did not justify the non-application of the golden rule that enactments must be construed in accordance with their letter. The President then went on to show that the Supreme Court had on several occasions in the past refused to reduce the overall penalty imposed on an accused by the trial court, despite the fact that the accused had been acquitted, on appeal, of some of the charges against him (see Cr.A. 472/74 and Cr.A. 355/75). As to the fact that on other occasions the Supreme Court had quashed the sentences for the separate charges of which an accused had been acquitted, upon appeal, all he could say, he held, was that on those occasions the question of the interpretation of section 197 had not been mooted, and, secondly, that in general the Supreme Court would adopt this latter practice but that it did not mean that on special occasions, when the circumstances justify it (as in the present case) they would not be entitled to leave the overall penalty intact — subject to the reservation that it does not exceed the maximum penalty which may be imposed for any of the remaining charges.

This last reservation brought the President to the appellant's counsel's alternative argument: that by leaving the IL125,000 fine intact the Supreme Court had exceeded the maximum fines laid down in the Income Tax Ordinance for the offenses of which the appellant had not been acquitted. In dismissing it he held that as it was clear from the facts that the appellant had intended concealing income of over IL300,000, a fine of IL125,000 did not exceed the maximum fine which could be imposed under section 220(2) of the Income Tax Ordinance (New Version), since this section provides that any person who, with intent to evade tax, makes any false statement or entry in any return, "shall be liable to a fine of IL10,000 and an amount equal to one-and-a-half times the amount of income intended to be concealed by him."

The majority judgment in Cr.A. 382/74, should therefore be confirmed, concluded the President.

(to be continued)

Computer for Everyman

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — IBM Israel Ltd. this week introduced their newest computer, the portable IBM 5100, which will sell at about IL140,000 at today's rate of exchange. Michael Alon, head of the Marketing Department of IBM Israel, said that the new computer — which is not much larger than an electric typewriter and works on house current — is revolutionary in many ways.

The machine is quite simple to run. An operator takes a 20-hour course which is programmed on a cassette. He can then run the machine without help from a programmer or any other technical personnel. "If you try to compare this advance to something in the past, it's like the step taken by the car industry when they invented automobiles, and the man in the street could drive easily after taking a course."

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The IBM 5100 is the first IBM machine in the country to be put up for sale. Until now, IBM only rented out its machines.

'State has no choice on T.A. bus terminal'

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

TEL AVIV'S half-built central bus terminal is expected to be bought up by the Government, which will set up a company to complete construction. The economic ministers' referral of the subject to the full Cabinet last Sunday does not indicate opposition to the plan, top Treasury officials believe.

There is in practice no alternative, they say. Unless the Government takes over, work will remain at a standstill.

A committee is to negotiate the purchase price. Creditors will be paid off, though not to the last apara. The placement of shop buyers in the commercial precinct will be protected in full.

Own funds invested by the Elkar Lovinsky Company in building the terminal will have to be written off. The loss to the private shareholder, Aryeh Pilz, is estimated at IL20 million. Nevertheless the partners are relieved because the personal guarantees they gave to some of the company's creditors will be reimbursed.

The expense to the Government company will be around IL100 million. Completion will cost another IL100 million, to which must be added the same sum again for adapting the surroundings and extending the approach roads. A good part of the outlay may be recovered as the terminal becomes a functioning entity.

According to Treasury officials, the station should go into use before it is completely finished. There will be some gain from disposing of the existing bus terminal (built in 1942) when it is finally vacated — but not more than IL15m, the sources say.

Shavit pledge to Capital

The President of the Manufacturers' Association, Avraham Shavit, has promised to promote industry in Jerusalem.

During his visit to the Capital on Monday, Shavit told Mayor Teddy Kollek that he intends bringing a party of manufacturers to have a look at the city's industrial potential. Shavit toured the industrial zones in Talpott and Atarot, and the science-based industries compound in the north of the city, and said he was impressed by what he had seen.

Mayor Kollek told the visiting industrialist that Jerusalem badly needs additional industry to achieve a healthy balance and counteract the preponderance of "clerks and others, who sit on chairs." He called for new factories because "The Capital needs deeds, not just words."

Dead Sea plant is expanding

SODOM. — A new plant is currently under construction at the Dead Sea chemical complex here, which will add considerably to the industry's bromide-production capacity.

The plant will produce chlorine and caustic soda, the former substance being essential to the production of bromide from the minerals extracted from the Dead Sea.

Up until now, chlorine used in the production of bromide has had to be trucked south from Acre. The new facility will enable the bromide plant to work up to its recently-increased capacity of 40,000 tons a year.

Workers for the new plant, due to open in 1977, are already being recruited and trained.

Building lapses ignored

By YOEL DAB

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL. — Charges of lapses upon building regulations have been levelled against the city's Planning Building Commission.

The commission had on a previous occasion taken over the authority of the Safad commission for infringement of the law.

Mayor Zayad asked to postpone the decision and undertake to explain the alleged infringements at the next session, but his proposal was rejected. Should the minister approve the Northern District body's recommendation, the Nazareth municipality will no longer be able to issue building licences and the strained relations between the ministry and the municipality would be further aggravated.

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Unaligned but partisan

THE 84 "non-aligned" states whose foreign ministers met in Colombo, Sri Lanka, yesterday to set the stage for the Conference of non-Aligned States are not quite unaligned between the two major superpowers nor are they very united among themselves.

The 84 countries who control the majority of votes in the UN General Assembly, and nearly two thirds when combining with the Soviet Bloc, are guaranteed to win Pyrrhic victories in that international arena. But to the extent that they insist on steamrolling their proposals through the Assembly, that body becomes more and more irrelevant in world politics.

Last year's conference of the non-aligned states in Lima, Peru, was overshadowed by a concurrent coup which toppled the Peruvian government, and by the final stages of the Kissinger shuttle which led to the Sinai agreement. The Lima Conference also triggered the Arab attempt, supported by most of the non-aligned bloc, to expel Israel from the UN General Assembly which convened a month later.

The Arab plan did not get very far last year. Presumably they will try again at the Colombo Conference, and at next month's UN Assembly. Given the sort of politics that characterizes this body, it is a foregone conclusion that some anti-Israel resolution will be adopted.

Last month's failure of the Organisation of African Unity, to adopt a resolution for the expulsion of Israel from the UN, should, however, give pause, in considering how far the Arabs can and cannot push such larger international bodies.

The specific stance of the Egyptians in regard to such a resolution should be watched. Last year at Lima, the Egyptians, deeply involved as they were in the final stages of the Sinai Agreement which also called for softening their anti-Israel propaganda and politicking, were careful to dissociate themselves from Arab initiatives for Israel's expulsion. In the ensuing year Egypt has become deeply embroiled in the internal Arab in-fighting over Lebanon and the PLO, a situation which usually leads to radicalization in Arab politics. The possibility that Egypt may vote for an extreme anti-Israel resolution at the Colombo Conference in order to shore up its own reputation among the world's radicals should not be written off. And, if such an Egyptian shift does take place, Israel should be ready to react.

The convening of a conclave of the world's have-not states is as good a time as any to urge them to study the Arabs, and learn their sorry lesson. One of the most important factors in hampering the development and modernization of the Arab world for the past quarter of a century has been the inordinate amount of manpower, treasure, and emotional energy which the Arab world has diverted into its psychotic drive to annihilate Israel. The real problems of the have-not nations of the world are too serious to permit them to fritter away their own national energies on similar diversions.

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AL HAMISHMAR (Mapam) is disturbed by the likelihood that the non-aligned summit beginning in Colombo, Sri Lanka, will develop into a ritual condemnation of Israel. The African states, which are involved in a whole series of conflicts among themselves, and the Arab countries, which are confronting a deep internal crisis, are only able to set up a united front when the occasion arises for one of these ritual condemnations of Israel. This unity is, of course, false and misleading. The impression is produced that the Third World nations, afflicted by poverty and deprivation... regard furthering their enmity with Israel as their major priority.

DAVAR (Histadrut) says the renewal of the Christian onslaught on the Tel el-Zaatar camp before the latest proposed truce even went into effect shows that there has been no change in the Lebanese situation. The Christian forces' inability to strike a decisive blow against the terrorists results from the Syrians' failure to prevent the terrorists from receiving arms and supplies, especially preserving a situation in which the Christian and Moslem forces remain more or less equal in strength, and thus in prolonging the present deadlock.

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Zahal and Zionism

"Our soldiers have to be taught Zionism," says the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Mordechai Gur. "If we give them the whole picture they will learn to distinguish between the Sinai passes and Hebron, and certainly between the passes and Jerusalem, which is beyond all debate as far as we are concerned."

THE RELATIONSHIP between Zionism and Zahal (the Israeli Defence Forces) is a complex one.

Yet the question arises from time to time. Several times a year we have to cope with fresh waves of recruits. And each time we have to inculcate in them the real meaning of military service in Israel. This means that each time we have to impress upon them the true significance of the profound and close link between Zahal and Zionism. Zahal and Zionist deeds. Accordingly, with each wave of recruits, bringing with it a fresh wave of scepticism, we are forced to think things through again.

Commanders going off to battle and carrying the soldiers into battle must from time to time reassure themselves that what they and their soldiers are doing is necessary and just. Otherwise, it is difficult to give orders or to go to war.

Although most of today's youth come into Zahal before we have had a chance to influence their thinking, they generally catch on very quickly, and they quickly become imbued with the motivation that characterizes Zahal. They catch on to the fact that this is a serious business. Most of them — regardless of their educational background — get right into the swing of things, and they excel. To the education that those soldiers received before they joined Zahal, the Zionism of 1976, if for no other reason than that we are living it all the time.

THE ZIONIST process demands that the State of Israel be ever ready and able to absorb the Jews of the Diaspora, whether they come of their own free will or whether they are driven by persecution. In the War of Liberation and all our wars since, we did not fight alone — that is, only for the Jews living here. Those wars have been fought also for all the future generations of Jews everywhere who will ever desire to come here. They have been fought so that we shall have a Jewish State of our choosing; one large enough and strong enough to absorb Jews coming home; a state in which we can lead a normal national existence.

Our society has to be a just one. On May 19, 1948, at the Bnei Brak Bazaar, I got home at 10 p.m. My daughter, who had been hearing about the Holocaust in school all that day, had a question: She is being taught that the Jews have always had it bad; in the Bible, in post-Biblical history. On every holiday she is being taught that somebody has always wanted to destroy the Jews. Well, she said, if everybody hates us and wants to murder us, maybe there really is something wrong with us.

The only answer I know to this question, one that I believe with all my heart, is that we are persecuted precisely because we are less wrong, in human relations, in international relations, everything is relative, and Jewish society has always been relatively less wrong than others. And the world still expects us to be less wrong, more right; we are not measured by the same criteria as other nations.

BUILDING A JUST society means building a society that always truly

strives for justice, and not the impossible one of whose members are saints. A teacher under whom I studied literature and Bible told us: Only the Jews had Prophets; that is why they were better than their neighbours, who were idolaters and whose morality and ethics were of a much lower standard. In other words: Jewish society was not one of saints; but it always had a core of good people whom the rest of society saw as symbols, as exemplars to be emulated. We must strive to be that kind of society.

Can a just Israeli society live with the Arab? Absolutely yes. But first and foremost we must live. So the real question is: In the Arab-Jewish conflict necessary? My answer is: Yes, so long as the Arabs do not accept our existence without any reservations whatever. Historically speaking we are in the right; in spite of their allegation that we established our state on land they consider theirs.

There is no such thing as absolute justice, and our justice takes precedence over theirs. In order that two nations shall live justly with each other, both nations first have to go on being alive. Justice comes next. This is all the more true in view of the fact that our justice has always advocated co-existence with the Arabs. And it is very important that justice be done in our time, or at least that we demand that it be done in our time.

The moment we are accepted as a nation and state that are entitled to absorb all the Jews in the world, we can talk about everybody else's justice.

In most areas of our life — science, industry, trade, etc. — our youth get there without these areas being presented to them as a challenge and mission. Where the nation does have to speak of pioneering, challenge, mission, and fulfillment of the Zionist vision is, first and foremost, in the area of settlement. Settlement in every part of Eretz Yisrael is fulfillment of a Zionist and national vision. It has always been a function of political and security decisions.

After settlement comes the mission of Zahal. It is simply a historical fact that we will not be able to realize all the other visions unless we are very strong. If we are not strong, we will not be able to do it right. We must build an army that is so strong that it will never have to prove its strength.

The third mission is voluntarism. When the State was established, the idea of *mamlachtiut* — state frameworks, state responsibility — was very important. But it is high time to start stressing voluntarism, and to integrate the two approaches. A certain social degeneration set in among us in the years after the 1967 Operation Kadesh (Sinai Campaign). In 1965-67, there was a drop in motivation accompanied by increased emigration from Israel. Side by side with the economic recession of that period there was a decrease in aliyah, construction and voluntarism.

THE WAITING period before the Six-Day War buried our society from the heights of fervor to the depths of fear about how "the whole world" against us and fear of "Holocaust." We won the war, and all at once the

process was reversed. From an attitude of "We have no choice," which had generated positive motivation, we suddenly felt strong and courageous. After a feeling of imminent Holocaust, we suddenly found ourselves in control of nearly all of Eretz Yisrael.

I'm not sure whether we underwent the psychological process that we should have undergone parallel to the expansion of our physical borders. Zahal suddenly found itself no longer a small army defending cramped borders and fighting "defensive" wars, but almost an occupying army. I say "almost," because Zahal is making an effort to conduct itself otherwise. The Yom Kippur War caused a fresh trauma. It shook our self-assurance. Unjustly so, because we were and are strong — not only politically but also in terms of actual capability.

People are asking about our borders: Does Kaddum belong to us? Do Judea and Samaria belong to us? Are the Golan Heights ours? Are the Sinai passes ours?

Our future borders will be based on three elements: One, history, the spiritual affinity of the Jewish People, and Judaism. A people has to live according to a tradition, values, roots — and we've paid plenty for these over the ages.

Two, political considerations, which are sometimes decisive.

Three, security considerations, and the need to maintain a level of military strength that will assure our survival.

Until the Six-Day War, we were prevaricated. For many of us, Jerusalem was a purely political matter instead of being a vision of liberty and sovereignty, a matter of tradition and religion. Today I hope that we are mature enough to know that Eretz Yisrael was promised to us, that we have fought for it, and that we are living in it.

Nevertheless, we must distinguish between historical Eretz Yisrael, to which we rightly aspire, and political factors; and between these two and the duty to maintain overall strategic superiority with respect to fighting power and territory. These are valid considerations which make it possible for us to live.

OUR SOLDIERS HAVE to be taught Zionism, its roots and its significance. And if we speak seriously to them and give them the whole picture, they will understand; they will learn to distinguish between the passes and Hebron, and certainly between the passes and Jerusalem — which is beyond all debate as far as we are concerned.

Finally, there is the link between Zionism and the Jewish People. Zionism cannot be separated from Jewry and Judaism. There is no future without roots. If we turn our backs on our roots in Judaism; if we try to deny that the Jewish People is religion, nation, society, law, and system of conduct all rolled into one — if we try to cast off any one of these, we will be cutting ourselves off from the roots of our very existence.

(From an address before a conference of Zahal officers, published in "Bama'ane." Condensed and translated by Moshe Kohn.)



Defence Minister Peres and the Prime Minister.

Despite the Prime Minister's admittedly outgoing gifts, his abrasive traits perturb his writes ASHER WALLFISH in this VIEWPO

Rabin or Pere

NEXT SPRING or early summer, the Labour party will have to decide who will head its electoral list for the Knesset elections in November.

Yitzhak Rabin might well ponder, before that Labour Party decision, whether his prospects of being chosen to head the list are certain. He might well recall that in April 1974 the Labour Party central committee chose him over Shimon Peres by the narrow margin of 288 votes to 254.

In naming their leader, the voters are pulling prospects of their candidate will be uppermost in the minds of the Labour members.

Although they will have other names apart from Rabin and Peres to choose from, the other candidates will be wasting their time.

The Labour members will have to decide whether Rabin or Peres will bring them more Knesset seats, on the basis of their past performance both as a team and as individual Ministers. They will have to make up their minds whether Rabin or Peres can forge a stronger Coalition and carry through more successful policies in the spheres of defence, foreign affairs, and economic and social problems.

Is Rabin or Peres that "goes over better" with the people: at party rallies, on visits to army bases, in newspaper interviews, in tours of towns and factories and, most important nowadays, on television.

Labour members will likewise ponder whether Rabin or Peres is the more popular among the smaller circle of Israelis who come into personal contact with them in the flesh: Cabinet ministers, Knesset members, the senior civil service, the top army brass, and the party forums.

In April 1974, probably for the last time, Labour's candidate for Prime Minister was put in by a kingmaker. That kingmaker, Pinhas Sapir, has since died. Sapir's kingmaking backfired: Yitzhak Rabin, his candidate, made it by only 44 votes. Many Labour men voted for Peres just because he was not Sapir's candidate.

This time there will be no kingmaker.

Perhaps Rabin might ponder that his claim to the Premiership is being challenged in his party as no other Prime Minister has been. Ben-Gurion, Bakshi, and Golda Meir never had serious rivals once they were in the saddle.

Some Labour men may vote for Peres to spite Rabin, because they consider him conceited, impatient, and quarrelsome.

PUTTING ASIDE Rabin's out-

standing analytical power for predicting international and his keen perception of the role in the world and the East, some Labour men swayed by the fact that he appears intolerant of the others, more obviously so frequently than was Golda, when she was in absolute control. They may take offence at Rabin's "epithets" and "folly" when he was in absolute control. They may feel that Rabin picks on I always with justification, accuse him of starting the Labour nomination race early, in a manner which Government and the country.

Since becoming Prime Minister Rabin has polished up noticeably. He has confidence, and he fidgets public. Inwardly he may be self-confident enough in which may explain his fiasco. He has said that after his character, but acceptable. He can study and he can dissemble to please many politicians in the Government. He has done so. He can learn that the nobility of today's political aristocracy joins day-long affability, patience, courtesy, semblance of modesty if it stands.

Barring surprises, the good that Rabin will keep over Peres for the Labour Cabinet ministers, Knesset members, the senior civil service, the top army brass, and the party forums.

But a small margin will Labour and bad for the Labour party. Peres as a runner-up, always down Rabin's neck, always to succeed if Rabin blunders. Government failure is a catastrophe.

A small margin will Rabin too, because it will his inadequate self-confidence make him want to continue his rival from time to time.

But if Rabin sheds so abrasive qualities and more likeable and less over he will win more loyal better for his own career.

The moral sounds simple. Rabin must take himself smooth off some of his edge has time. But not to

READERS' LETTERS

NOT ONLY A WOMAN'S JOB

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — As a professional registered nurse and a member of the masculine sex I was very much interested in your editorial of July 29 concerning the shortage of nurses and the various suggestions as to how to overcome it. But conspicuous by its absence was any suggestion to recruit men into nursing. The experience of American nursing has shown that, in addition to adding numbers, male nurses are able to contribute — over and above the proportion of their numbers, administrative, supervisory and educational skills in nursing. There seems to be an impression that nursing is entirely a woman's profession. A brief glance at some facts in the history of nursing shows that this idea is entirely erroneous. The first school for the education of nurses was established by King Asoka in India in 256 B.C.E. and was devoted entirely to men nurses. The brilliant military victories of the Roman armies were in part due to their organization of the world's first army medical corps, staffed entirely by men nurses. No history of nursing is complete without the mention of the great nursing brotherhoods, many of which are still in existence.

MEIRAH GOLDBERG, R.N., B.S., M.A.

BeerSheva.

SOROKA HOSPITAL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Several of your recent reports on the subject imply that Kupat Holim has decided not to hospitalize patients in Government hospitals. For instance, according to your report on Soroka Hospital in BeerSheva (July 28), "The extra patients are a result of Kupat Holim's recent decision to send its members only to its own hospitals." Kupat Holim's plan for the efficient use of its hospital beds definitely includes hospitalization in all Government hospitals — however, this will be done in a reduced proportion and with due consideration to the general policy of avoiding unnecessary hospitalization and sending more intensively our own hospital. Incidentally, this policy resulted in a patient increase of only 2.3 per cent at Soroka Hospital during the months of April, May and June of this year. During the same period, Kupat Holim hospitals were crowded and children from the Sderot area (which is part of the Negev district) in the Government Hospital at Ashkelon in view of the integration of its services in Sderot with the Ashkelon Hospital.

Thus, the increase in hospitalization at Soroka as a result of our new policy is obviously insignificant. DAVID LEVITSKY, Spokesman, Kupat Holim Tel Aviv.

YAD VASHEM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — This is to express our appreciation to Rabbi Pinchas Stolper for his remarks published in your issue of July 21. Since we would like to point out that our approach to this matter is different and that Yashem has always aimed at presenting its exhibition as documentary material that speaks for itself without the need of technical or artistic means to stress the theme.

A visit to the Yad Vashem Exhibition is intended to be a lesson in history; the exhibits are arranged in chronological order from the beginning of the Nazi movement to the destruction of European Jewry. Slides are shown only in two places — scenes depicting the Jewish world before the Holocaust and those showing existence in the concentration camps.

Our Institute also arranges regular study days for groups of students and visitors. When films are shown and lectures given, we also organize ceremonies of identification with the heroes and victims of the Holocaust for groups that request them.

We believe that stressing the historical facts with technical means would detract rather than add to the impact of Yashem on the visitors. The reaction of hundreds of visitors after having been here, testifies to the effect of the exhibition.

BINYAMIN ARMON, Director, Commemoration and Information Department, Yad Vashem Jerusalem.

ILLEGAL PARKING

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — According to your report of July 14, Haifa is attempting to stop illegal parking in several main streets including Eshanan Street on which I happen to live. The way the Municipality is going about controlling illegal parking in Eshanan Street can only be described as pathetic. Parking officers are seen only infrequently and on most days of the week there is no one to enforce the law. When I warned a shopper recently that he could be fined IL60 for illegal parking, he simply laughed at me.

Hiring parking officers would not only cost the city free from illegal parkers, but it would pay for their salaries many times over.

EVYLYN DAR-EL Haifa.

PENFRIENDS

ANGELA HAEFER (27), of 1514 Hauda Loop, Schofield Barracks, A.P.O. 8689, U.S.A., lives in Haifa and would like to have Israeli penfriends. Her hobbies are cooking, exchanging recipes and gardening.

RESPECT FOR LAW AND ORDER

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I read with interest your editorial, "Combating crime" (August 1).

As one who is nostalgic about the "good old times" of the Yishuv, I can only say that the root of all evils lies in the permissive educational system introduced here. The Jewish mothers — (and fathers) who wanted their offspring to be "free from complexes" have brought about an educational system where discipline is regarded as anathema. By the time the youngsters do receive some discipline (in the army at 18) the damage has already been irreparably done.

Moreover, the "good" examples given by our "leaders" do nothing to improve the population's respect for law and order.

Combating crime would be less necessary if the foundations for respect for law and order were laid at the start: discipline and respect in school and a good example by our leaders.

H. RALF HELLINGER Tel Aviv.

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POSTSCRIPTS

DURING the recent heat wave the Anglers' Society in a small English town in Hampshire protested against young women bathing nude in the local river.

They stated in their complaint that this practice tended to frighten fish away.

EX-QUEEN MOTHER Frederica of Greece and her 29 year old daughter ex-Princess Irene have exchanged the trappings of monarchy for Indian robes. (There seems to be something which draws Greek royalty to the contemplative life, for the Duke of Edinburgh's mother has been a nun for a long time now.)

Princess Irene, according to a World Feature Services report, is making her mark as an exponent of Advaita philosophy. She has also made a study of classical Indian dancing, always wears a white silk sari and, like her mother, has given up the pleasures of *moussaka* and stuffed vine-leaves for hot vegetarian curries.

The two ex-royals, the report says, spend a great deal of time in meditation. Their particular school of philosophy teaches that life is an illusion and so presumably they comfort themselves with the thought that the overthrow of the Greek monarchy is just another illusion.

THERE SEEM to be no cowboys around than we

Another reader has written us about after delivering a Salt Lake City a few months was approached by an old Speaking in halting Hebrew introduced himself by "Shalom. My name is Mendel Cohen and I'm a cowboy. I was dressed like and that his questions about cattle were those of a Indeed, he was a second cowboy, having "gone west" cowboy father.

Cohen Sr. was an Orthodox and used to pack his suitcase in his saddle-bags. But lay in the early morning often interfere with breaking a result, Cohen Jr. remembering the other cowboys call his father: "Cohen, take your We're moving on!"

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